PEPPERMENT DROPS.

When leaves the caves the icicle,

And roads begin to dry,
The season for the bicycle
Again is drawing nigh.
Oh! glorious 'tis to see the wheels

Revolving at the bugle's call; Even he who "takes a header" feels

That life's worth living after all. A progressive dinner party-the tramp,

her is an eggitive one.

The rooster is a very positive bird, but the

A "Q" strike-A Chinaman's protest against having his hair cut,

A tree uprooted by the storm, like a man in distress, has its heart boughed down.

Why can a bachelor keep Lent easier than a married man! A bachelor is always a-

The average cat, like the industrious trav-

cling man, almost always words on a purr-scent.

A Baltimore paper is talking about the "credit due to women." Up this way they always want the cash,

A tailer may not know anything about po-litical economy, but he firmly advocates "a tear, if for revenue only."

A woman's admiration of a sealskin cloak can be said to be fur tive only when the cloak

It is a queer thing that in the ethics of kin-

ship a man usually rushes to his uncle after bidding good-by to his ante.

A cold wave, on its way east, froze a Chi-cago girls feet and a St. Louis girl's ears, and then the wave laid down and died of ex-

ahustion.

The boom for a new-born town is like the music of locust wings. One looks at the little

thing and wonders where all the big noise

Johnny—Pa. what are 'angel sleeves,'
Pater—My son, they are the kind of sleeves
which go with decollecte costumes and produce pneumonia.

"Who is that extremely popular and interesting-looking man with the long hair!"

"Oh, thut is a previous poet. He has a great
future behind him."

When they put the loss of wardrobes by

future behind him."

When they put the loss of wardrobes by the burning of a variety theater at \$60, that figure is supposed to cover all the stage dresses of 120 actresses.

"Angeline," said Dorothea, as she abstractedly fingered the keys of the piano, "what is your favorite air!" "The million heir," Angeline abstractedly replied.

Indignant Restaurant Diner-See here,

waiter, you've split about a quart of soup down the back of my neck! Waiter (suavely)

-There'll be no charge for extra soup, sir.

The New Haven newspapers are advertising an "exhibition of old masters" in that

city. Probably the senior members of the Yale faculty form the nucleus of the col-

A swinging sign in front of a Chicago store bears the legend, "Truth Spoken Here." Being in Chicago, it attracts a great deal of attention. Some night the boys will be putting

A man has turned up in Illinois whose name is Ananias Stewart. His father, in giving him such a name, must have been somewhat mixed in his scriptural recollections. Or, possibly, he intended him for a real estate agent.

Deaf people can be educated so as to tell

her say no in all his blissful and glad

Magistrate—You've been up before me a good many times, Uncle Rastus. It's the same as usual—thirty days or \$10. Uncle Rastus—I has been up befo' yo' a good many times, yo' honah: Ise been a good customer, an' if yuse got any wholesale rates I specs I oughter hab em'.

Somebody sent the following conundrum to a Dakota paper, "What makes a man's trous ers bag at the knees!" The editor replied that he thought wearing them did, but he wouldn't be sure as he had sent his encyclosism.

pedia down to the blacksmith's to have a new

Attendant (to railroad president) -A com-

nittee is outside, sir. Railroad President-

sword." "I hat sounds odd, coming from a soldier." "I don't see why. I came out of the war as poor as a coal heaver, and now I am living in style as the result of the articles I

A tropical dinner given in Philadels

phia was the height of luxury. Twenty

courses were served, and a boquet of ten

strawberries was placed before each

guest, Roman punch was served in

oranges hanging on natural trees, so

that the guests could pluck their own fruit. The floral decorations were all

Helen Keller, the eight-year-old daughter of Captain A. H. Keller, of Tuscumbia, Ala., is blind and deaf, but

her mind is wonderfully developed. Among other things she has mastered

geometry, and demonstrates very diffi-

HOW

Can They Do It?

BY BUYING

east iron binding put on it.

wrote for the magazines."

cult theorems with ease.

tropical.

it in front of a lawyer's office for a joke.

is worn by another woman.

comes from.

BITS OF SOCIETY EVENTS.

A Number of Pleasast Events Take Place During the Past Week

HOW LADIES TREAT ONE ANOTHER

Miss May Yates' Complimentary Party-Mr. and Mrs. Nichols Entertain-Many Coming Society Events-Notes.

A record of the society events of the week will be found below. It is expected that immediately after Easter that several balls will

THE SOCIETY EDITOR Of the BEE has twice, THE SOCIETY EDITOR Of the BEE has twice, in his young life, been prevailed upon to enter gilded palaces that are called by prohibitionists, "dens of Satan." There he beheld the manner in which gentlemen treat each other. Yesterday he witnessed for the first time how the ladles extend the same courtesy to one another. The ceremony between two male friends usually consists of a conversation similar to the following:

"What'll you have, Bob?"

"Gimme a small bottle," addressing the smiling bartender.

"Naw, take a big un and I'll crack it with you."

you."
That settles it. They drink, one pays \$3.50 for it and out they go. But it is somewhat different with indies. There is an uptown drug store frequented by the fair ones, where all manner of mixed drinks of the "soft" variety are served. It not infrequently happens that one lady will invite her lady friend to "have sumthin'," and invariable does it in this

style:

"Clara, what would you say if I should offer to buy you a glass of lemonade or a cup of chocolate, and one for myself too!"

"Why, it would be just too sweet of you,"

is the reply. "Now what shall we drink, lemonade or

chocolate?" chocolate?"

"Well, I don't know. Let me think. (A full minute's pause.) I have it. Let's take some egg lemonade. George was telling me the other night it was just splendid."

"Why, I never heard of such a thing. I wonder it it is good! What if the eggs are not fresh? I am afraid of cooked eggs anyway."

"Well, let's take some coffee bouschea." "All right." The ladies then step up to the waiter and give their order. Just as he is about to fill it one asks him:

'Is it real nice?' "Well, please make mine thick."

"Yes mum."
"I wonder what it's going to cost?" says
the lady "doing the honors."
"Thirty cents mum," says the waiter.

"Gracious me! It's awful steep, isn't it, Clara."
"Oh, I don't know," replies Clara, who is not "standing treat."
"Well, it is, and I won't buy any more,

Both ladies drink, wipe their lips and then go forth one happy and the other feeling that she has been swindled.

DR. JAMES C. HANCHETT, a brother of Dr. W. H. Hanchett, of this city, arrived in Omaha yesterday, and will make this city his future home. Dr. Hanchett is a graduate of the Chicago Homeopathic Medical college, and stood at the head of his class. He is a young man who is devotedly attached to his profession, and being a genial gentleman will be an acquisition to Omaha circles. In conbe an acquisition to Omaha circles. In connection with this it may be mentioned that the medical fraternity is indebted to the Hanchett family for four of its brightest and most faithful practicioners. Two of these are now residents of this city, one of Council Bluffs and the fourth in Chicago. Drs. W. H. and James C. Hanchett will form a copartnership in the practice of their profession, the style of the new firm being Hanchett & Hanchett.

The La Vara Club gave a ball at Hunt's hall, in South Omaha, on Friday night, and it was one of the most pleasant affairs of the season. About twenty couples, comprising the best people of that city, were present, and the occasion was one of the most enjoyable affairs of the season. Among the guests present were the Misses Carpenter, Misses Glasgow, Graham, Hunt, the Misses Savage, Giasgow, Granam, Hunt, the Misses Savage, Misses Persons, Richardson, Duval, McCann, Reed, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Saxe, Mr. and Mrs. Baird and daughter Ruby, of Omaha, Messrs. Bratton, Hitte, Smith. Cuddington, McCann, Corey, Savage, Miller, Doty, Laughlin, Hunt and Brigham. This is the society's first half-mad brigham.

society's first ball, and two more will be

given at early dates. THE SECOND ANNUAL BALL of the Elks' club will be given at their elegant, rooms at Fif-teenth and Douglas streets, Wednesday even-ing, April 4. This will be positively the great social event of the season. The tickets have been placed at \$10 for gentlemen and ladies and the location of the rooms, their beauty ecommodations and other features make accommodations and other features make them the most delightful place in the city for a gathering of the kind mentioned. The membership of the Elks, culled from the leading mercantile and professional gentle-men in Omaha, with the past social successes of the order, guarantee the promise above made. Only a limited number of ticket have been issued, and these are to be had

Miss May Yates, on Friday evening last gave a party in honor of Mr. Egbert Peller, of Kentucky. The interior of the home of the fair young hostess was magnificently decorated with natural flowers and the ser vices of an excellent orchestra were tested to its utmost. Among those present wer noticed the following: Misses Emily Wake ley, Daisy Doane, Jennie McClellan, Georgie Sharp, Lita Alexander, Pearl Hartman, Edith Crandell, Grace Heffley, Nelsie Hughes, May Yates, Messrs, Egbert, Keller, Fred McCormick, Drake Reiley, Perry Badollet, Ed. Bowman, Marian Welsh, Bert Hicks, Bert Cook, Clark Redick, Charlie McConnell, Charlie Stone, Frank Ballantine.

MR. W. R. Goodall, one of the most tal ented amateur minstrels in this country, and one of the most deservedly popular young men in Omaha, has been tendered a complimentary benefit by his many admirers. The event will take place at Boyd's opera house Monday evening, March 26. A programme of rare excellence has been prepared, and there is no doubt that the gentleman will receive a most tlattering welcome. Several of secret societies and social organizations will attend in a body. The Knights of Ppthias attend in a body. The Knights of Pothias are especially active in their co-operation to make the affair a success and several of the lodges will appear in full regalia.

MR. AND MRS. M. C. NICHOLS entertained the Keekuk club at their handsome residence on Webster street Wednesday evening last Progressive euchre comprised the entertain An elegant lunch was served t which the guests did ample justice. Among which the guests did ample justice. Among those present were: Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Williams, Miss Dwight, Mr. and Mrs. Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Poase, Mr. and Mrs. Allen, Mr, and Mrs. Drae Mrs. Lee, Dr. and Mrs. Dysart, Mr. and Mrs. Snyder, Messrs. McGeath, Pease, Bishop, Crane and Bostwick

The dancing party given by Mrs. George H. Boggs at the Paxton on Wednesday evening was a delightful affair. About thirty guests were present and several figures of the German were danced. An exquisite little supper was served just before midnight after which dancing was continued until 2 o'clock a.m.

THE CORN SUPPER given by the Ladies Aid society of the Park avenue Baptist church in the parlors of that edifice on Thursday even-ing last, was a most enjoyable affair. The attendance was large and the menu com-prised every dish known to human ingenuity that could be prepared from the "king of

All people favoring the cause are invited a reception of the Woman's Suffrage association, at the residence of Alma E. Keith. 216 North Twenty-second street, Thursday evening, March 22, 1888, from 7 to 10 p. m. Rev. and Mrs. House, Dr. Eleanor Daily, Rev. and Mrs. Crane, Mrs. E. M. Coyeli.

Os Farpar Evening of this week the Unity club will give another of their elegant parties at Masonic hall. Extensive arrange-ments have been made and there is no doubt that the affair will be the most enjoyable one yet held under the suspices of this excellent

THE PIRST ANNUAL BANGET of the Young Men's Republican club was held at the Mil-

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We open the season with 300 pieces challies-all new pattern and styles. Your choice, 19c per yard.

SCOTCH ZEPHYR GINGHAMS. 25c. The finest imported Scotch zephyr ginghams-fast colors-25c.

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tines, including solid colors, 35c. 15c. DRESS

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45c. ALL WOOL DE BEIGE. 45c. 200 pieces all wool De Beige, 40 inch, gray and Brown mixture. SPECIAL PRICE, 45c, WORTH

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Just for Monday; full line of colors, including cream; quality suitable for spring costumes; \$1.25 per yard,

RIBBONS.

In great variety of shades and widths, at popular prices.

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In the newest styles and shades.

BLACK LACE FLOUNCINGS.

Exceptional Values.

Chantilly Lace Flouncings. French Manufacture, All Silk, 42 Inches Wide.

Leaf and rose designs, \$1.25. Leaf, rose and vine effect, \$1.45. Rose, leaf and trailing vine effect, \$1.85. Flowers and sprays of forget-me-nots, \$2.10. Morning glory and vine effect, \$2.35. Rose, vine and leaf, elegant border, \$2.50. Rose and vine design, with trailing vine and rose spray border, in stripe effect, \$3.25. Clusters of poppys, trellis, and trailing vines, forming stripes, \$3.85. Diagonal stripes, scrolls and forget-me-nots, rose border, \$3.85. Daffodils, with graduated border of daffodils and scroll work, \$4.25. Alternate stripes of polka dots and roses, elegant effect, \$5.50. Lyon's make, thread finish, perfect imitation real lace, \$7.25.

SPANISH GUIPUIRE FLOUNCINGS.

(French Manufacture, all Silk, 42 Inches Wide,)

Rose and leaf designs, tulip, rose and leaf border, \$1.40. Rose and leaf design, medallion effect, \$1.75. Rose, tulips and leaves, stripe effect, \$2.15. Sprays of rose and leaves, elegant border, \$2.85. Palm leaf and vine effect, elegant border, \$3.85.

LENGTHS SHORT

We will offer 20 short lengths of 40-inch black chantilly and Spanish guipuire lace flouncing. (lengths range from 2to 5 pards) at greatly reduced prices.

CREAM CHANTILLY FLOUNCINGS.

(42 Inches Wide).

Double rose and leaf design, real Spanish effect, \$3.25. Roses, wheat and trellis lines, forming stripes, elegant ffect, \$4.50.

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Rose and vine design, with border of roses, ferns and forget-me-nots, \$3.25.

CREAM LACE FLOUNCINGS.

Normandy Valenciennes Flouncings.

Rustic and rose and leaf design, forming stripes (40 Inches wide), 85c. Rose and leaf design, elaborate border, \$1.25. Alternate stripes of roses and trellis work, \$1.38. Flower and leaf effect, De Esprit border, \$1.65. Grape vine and wild rose design, fancy border, \$2.38.

LINENS

nishing Goods.

\$1.00. \$1.00

patterns, bed spreads, worth \$1.35.

60 dozen 3-4 bleached napkins. This is a "Barnsley Linen." Will give satisfaction. Former price \$2.75.

10 pieces bleached table linen, 63 inches wide, all new patterns, and well worth inspection. This is for Monday only. Reduced from \$1.00.

25c. TOWELS, 25c.

Just received 50 dozen damask towels, all knotted fringe and assorted colored borders, and pure white. Will sell only one dozen to each customer, at \$3.00 per dozen.

prices Monday.

Sale Continued Monday, March 19th.

1,500 yards of manufacturers' remnants of sateens, 12 yards for \$1.00, worth \$1.50.

A man who has been turning one-dollar bills into fifty-dollar bills was arrested in New Orleans the other day. As he was un-1,000 yards French percales for boys' waists, at 10c a yard. Cheap able to prove his connection with any recog-nized trust he was sent to jail. It is said that the two pet alligators that were presented to Mrs. Cleveland during her Florida tour are to be kept in the reception room at the white house and trained to shake hands with visiting statesmen.

Handkerchiefs.

See prices in window of our store

Cor. Dodge and Fifteenth Streets

lard Tuesday evening. The menu was superb and the toasts and responses excel-lent. The menu card was a novelty printed on palm ivory sheets.

MRS. J. V. BRADY, of Sidney, Neb., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Shirman. Mrs. Brady is one of the most charming young married ladies in the west and has many friends in Omaha.

THE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES Of the Omaha Homopathic Medical college takes place at Boyd's opera house Thursday evenng March 22. THE MANY PRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. J. A.

Lacey offered them heartfelt congratulations on the fortieth anniversary wedding day last Thursday. On Tuesday gvening next the superb new music hall of Max Meyer & Co. in the Paxton building will be thrown open to the

THE HOME CIRCLE CLUB will give another of its delightful parties on Tuesday evening, May 1. The event will take place at Masonio

The CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL, by the pupils of Dancing Master Morand, will be held at Exposition hall Friday evening, April 13. MR. S. S. ACCHMOEDY has entirely recov-

ered from his recent illness and is at his office from early morn till evening. THE FIRST ANNUAL BALL of the Omaha fire laddies is to occur on Wednesday evening, April 4, at Exposition hall.

MR. AND MRS. N. ITINER have returned from Florida, where they spent several

MISS MARIANNE BRANDT will assist at the

Apollo club concert next Friday evening Mas. S. G. Joyce is entertaining her sister Mrs. W. W. Carr, of Dubuque, Ia. Mas. Gronge W. Tillson has gone cast to

spend the summer. MRS. MARY HAYDEN, of Lincoln, is visiting

EASTER SUNDAY is two weeks from to-day

A Deaf Engineer. Columbus Journal: Some time age an engineer on the Little Miami rail road was suspended because, after hav-ing been examined by Dr. Clark, he was found to be quite deaf. The encould hear everything while running his engine, but the doctor found that in a still room he could not hear ordinary conversation a foot away. The engineer lives at Cincinnati and received treatment in that city for his disease, but without any special benefit. After being suspended eight months the engineer again came to Dr. Clark, and in-sisted that he could hear perfectly while on a moving engine. The doctor thought he would test the case and, accompanying the man to Cincinnati, made a number of experiments with himon engines. The result was that the dootor found the engineer was not only telling the truth in regard to the matter, but also that the deaf man could heur low remarks and whispers on a moving engine that even Dr. Clark's keen ear failed to catch. The engineer was reinstated to his former place.

In 1866 Evander Cameron, of Toulon, Tenn, a young man of thirty, proposed marriage to Miss Mary Baynes, aged twenty, a neighbor. He was accepted but the young lady's father objected to the match, and the daughter refused to marry without his consent. Last week the old gentleman relented and the lovers were united in marriage.

A party of ladies and gentlemen started to explore a cave near Clyde, Ark. About nine hundred yards from the mouth of the cavern they encount-ered an immense army of rats. The rate were vicious and made a savage attack on the explorers. Two of the ladies fainted and had to be carried on. Hundreds of the animals were slain by the

ECHOES FROM THE ANTE ROOM

Items of Interest to the Members of the Various Secret Orders.

ORIGIN OF THE NATIONAL COLORS

Doings of the Odd Fellows-Bits of Masonic News and History-General Pythian Items-The A. O. U. W.

The National Colors. It is claimed by those who have a right to know that the red, white and blue, the colors of this nation, were borrowed from Free Masonary. In 1745 these colors were em ployed by Courtiers at Versailles. From a Masonic standpoint blue signifies the symbo lio degrees, being the color of the master's collar; red, the chapitral grades, as that was the color of the primitive Rose Croix decorations; while white designates the philosophic degrees, being the color of the sash, or grand cordon of the 33d. Such is an explan ation given by recent authors, but a prominent journal of the order gives the opinion that Masonic colors can be traced to far different origin and one of a more poetic character, thus: On the 17th of July, 1789, Louis XVI. received at the Hotel de Ville at Paris, in the presence of 200,000 national guards the Parisian cockade, and placed it in his hat with his own hands.

It was composed of blue and red. On July 26, of the same year, Lafayette, as commander of the national guards, distrib-uted the colors, to which had been added the white, thus making the cockade, which designates the republic of to-day and is gen-erally interpreted as symbolic of liberty,

equality and fraternity. Echoes.

PROBABLY THE most satisfactory and ad mirable episode in connection with the Knights of Pythias since the reception to President Cleveland in October last in which the members of the uniformed rank of that order took part, was the inspection of the Omaha (Second) regiment, which occurred in this city on last Wednesday evening. The inspection was made by Governor Thayer, who had a short time previously appointed representatives of the Knights upon his per-sonal staff. The chief executive of the state sonal staff. The chief executive of the state was met at the depot in the evening by a committee on reception, consisting of the following: Colonel Harry Downs, of the First regiment, Lincoln; Lieutenant Colonel James A. Brown, commanding the Omaha regiment; Colonel John H. Gibson. inspector-general of the Nebraska brigade; Major J. Donnelly, jr., Omaha regiment, with the band of the Second infantry. Besides these, there was Omaha division, K. of P., Captaln John Haywood in command, as escort detail. Governor Thayer was mand, as escort detail. Governor Thayer was escorted to the Millard hotel. After supper at that hostelry, Black Eagle division No. 17 was detailed as escort from the hotel to the armory of the Omaha Guards, N. N. G., on Capital avenue, where the Omaha Capitol avenue, where the Omaha Pythian regiment was reviewed. The knights presented a most attractive and knightly appearance and in their bearing and military movements evoked the heartiest commenda-tion from the governor. The review over, he governor was escorted to the Hotel Bar ker, where by previous arrangement a most elaborate banquet had been spread, at the head of which sat the governor beside the presiding official. The tables were tastefully decorated with flowers were tastefully decorated with howers and other ornamentation and, arranged in the shape of a triangle, at once outlined a figure well known to the knights and at the same time displayed the excellent taste of mine host Balen. Around the tables sat the following: Governor Thayer and his staff, consisting of Colonel Hotchkins, Colonel Sizer, Colonel Needham, Colonel J. J. Monell, Sizer, Colonel Needham, Colonel J. J. Monell, Colonel Gibson, Colonel Downs, Colonel Brown, Colonel H. J. Wells, Major W. S. Spencer, Major Donnelly, Lieutenant Creighton, Captain Crap, Colonel Crager, Colonel Burrell, Captain Haywood, Sergeant C. W. Kyle. The banquet was en livened with toasts and witty and eloquent speeches, which made the spread and the occasion one of the most enjoyable that has ever been held in this city.

ON THE Sth day of July, 1845, the order of United American Mechanics was instituted, in the city of Philadelphia. Its membership being confined entirely to the native born, it never made such rapid progress as some

other secret benificial societies, such as Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, but at all times it has shown a creditable roll of membership and also a proud array of figures, represent-ing good acts towards the sick and families of the dead. In order to increase its useful-ness however, on the 17th day of May, 1853, one of its subordinate councils launched one of its subordinate councils launched upon the sea of secret societies. Washington Council No. 1, of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. The object was an en-tirely selfish one, it being to gather in the boys from sixteen to twenty-one years of age, to instil into the hearts the principles of their organization, so that when the boy became a man his entrance into the senior council was assured. On November 20, 1886, a council was organized in Omaha, and known as Omaha Council No. 1. D. D. N. C. A. B. as Omaha Council No. 1, D. D. N. C. A. B. Cochran instituted the council with a membership of thirty-five. The first officers were as follows: J. E. Smith, P. C.; H. B. Brown, C.; A. J. Roberts, V. C.; R. B. Dunlap, R. S.; Dave Kaufman, treasurer; Charles McDonald, F. S.; C. W. Green, A. R. S.; D. Clements, conductor; J. Kuhl, W.; H. B. Myers, J. S. The council is now in a uros. Myers, J. S. The council is now in a pros-perous condition with a membership of seventy-five. It meets Tuesday evenings at as follows: H. B. Myers, C.; Henry Horn-berger, V. C.; N. D. Cook, P. C.; D. Clem-ents R. S.; D. Jacobs, A. R. S.; Sam Leu-ard, W.;—Coal, conductor; L. B. Clark, F. S.; F. H. Gentsch, M. D. treasurer.

It is stated in Lane's Masonic Records, 1717-1886 that not four, but five, and possibly six, time-immemorial lodges concurred in the establishment of the grand lodge of England. As the term lodge is met with early in th fourteenth century, it is probable that Masonic lodges antedate Chaucer. The grand lodge of all England, or York grand lodge, never chartered over a dozen lodges, so that York Rite Masons are really few. The "Ancients" or "Atholl" grand lodge did a considerable business, and are erroneously called "Ancient York Masons." Charle de Valois was the forty-first grand master in 1615. He was the duke of Augouleme, a nat-ural son of Charles IX, of France, born in 1573. He was distinguished at the battles of Arques and Ivry (1590) with Henry IV of Navarre; was condemned to imprisonment for life in 1604 for a plot against that king, and released about the time he was chosen grand master. He opened the siege of Rochelle in 1628 and commanded there until chelle in 1628, and commanded there until the arrival of the king. He displayed address and talent in civil and military affairs out was accused of being devoid of principle

On next Thursday evening Viola Lodge No 80, K. of P., will give an entertainment at its lodge room in Central hall. An excellent programme has been prepared for the occasion, and a general good time may be ex-pected by all who attend. Brass and string bands will be in attendance. A lunch will be served after, and the following programme will be rendered:
Music...By Band
Address...Hon. R. S. Ervin

Address Hou R S Event Music Orchestra Recital—"Asleep at His Post." C. W. Grosh Solo—"Till Mother's Gone."

Recital—Selected O. Grafft Music Band

Music Band Recital—"Two Scenes Rip Van Winkle" Recital L. H. Baer
Miss E. Marion Kinkle of Brooklya, New York.

Members of sister lodges are cordially invited.

GRAND RECORDER W. W. Wilson makes the following report for the A. O. U. W. of Michigan for the year ending December 31, 1887. 2007 beneficiary certificates were issued dur 2007 beneficiary certificates were issued during the year and 11 annulled certificates reinstated, a total increase of 2018. There were 106 deaths and 329 certificates annulled, a total loss of 435, the net gain being 1583. In all there have been issued 15,135 beneficiary certificates of which 2,621 have lapsed by annulment, 470 by death, a total net loss of 3,091. The total number in force at date, 12,044. During the year there was received 12,044. During the year there was received in the beneficiary fund the sum of \$196,918 in the general fund \$13,113.14, and in the Up church memorial fund, \$308.25, a grand total of \$211,299.39. The sum of \$305,987 was paid to beneficiaries, the deficiency in the amount received and the amount paid being covered by a balance of \$8,000 on hand December 31,

In a proclamation recently issued the grand sire of the I.O.O.F. says: "In accordance with the time-honored custom and usage of the order, and by authority of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Independent Order of Odd Fellows, I, John H. White, grand sire do hereby recommend all grand and subordinate bodies under this jurisdic

tion, to set apart and dedicate the 26th day of April, 1888, the sixty-ninth anniversary of our order, to appropriate exercises and to thanksgiving and praise to the Giver of all Good, for the many blessings showered upon the order and its membership individually and collectively."

THE A. O. U. W. is growing rapidly in this state. New lodges are frequently being started while the old ones continue to increase their membership. Omaha has four A. O. U. W. lodges meeting in their hall in the Barker building. Union Pacific lodge No. 17 meets the first and third Mondays in each month; these meetings are well at-tended and at the close of each session some of the members furnish appropriate entertainment for those present.

MAGNIFICENT PRESENTS are to be made by the Masonic grand lodges to the prince and princess of Wales, on their silver wedding day. On account of the death of the emperor of Germany the celebration of the event has been postponed. Illuminated addressesses, enclosed in rich caskets, are the form of these presents. The United grand lodge of England voted £500 for this pur-

As NEAR as can be estimated by the

records there are now \$0,022 members of the Royal Arcanum in good standing. This does

not include members initiated, whose appli

or on their way to headquarters, of which there may be safely understood to be about one hundred and fifty. There are now 1076 councils MANY OF the lodges of the Knights of Honor are strenuously opposing the proposi-tion to create a reserve fund in the supreme lode, believing that its adoption would be in imical to the best interests of the order, and have instructed their delegates to the grand have instructed their delegates to the grand lodge to use their best endeavors to influ-

ence the supreme representatives against the enactment of such a law. THE HIGH COURT of Foresters has refused to grant any more charters for courts in Amerca unless the word "white" is striken from the law. This the executive committee of the subsidiary high court of America refuses and the results will be that the courts in the United States will probably secode and set up a jurisdiction independent of the court

legiance to the grand lodge of lowa are ret-rograding, is entirely erroneous. Mr. Whit-aker says that the order in that state is now in an excellent condition, while the "supre mers" are by no means flourishing. THE MASONS in New York propose to commemorate, a year hence, the centennial of the inauguration of George Wash-ington as first president of the United States. One of their lodges possesses the bible upon which the eath of office was administered to

R. A. WHITAKER, grand recorder of the A

O. U. W. in Iowa (anti-supremers) declares that the statement that the lodges holding al

Washington, and three other lodges in the turisdiction are named in his honor. THE GRAND LODGE of Ireland, of which the duke of Abercorn is grand master, and R. W. Shekleton, Q. C., deputy grand master, has now \$76 lodges on the roll, while the Grand R. A. Chapter of Ireland has 147 chapters on its roll, Judge Townshend being at the head of the Royal Arch Craft.

DURING THE Year 1887 the Legion of Honor levied twenty one assessments, making the cost of each \$1,000 of sinsurance as follows: From eighteen to twenty-nine years of age, \$5.40; at thirty-five, \$10.92 at forty, \$18.02, at forty-five, \$14.52, at fifty, \$17.64. IN THE LO O F. the sick rate is New

York has increased within the past tweive years 77 per cent. One lodge in New York has cared for a member twenty-six years and paid him \$10,000, while it has paid another brother \$5,000. HON. J. HELCHER, governor of the province of New England in 1740, was the first Mason initiated in America. He was made a Mason

in 1704 or thirteen years before the reor-ganization of the Grand Ledge of England

The first office warrant granted for America was that granted by the grand lodge of England, A. F. & A. M., to Daniel Cox of New Jersey, and dated June 5, 1780.

THE OLDEST Masonic lodge known with preserved records is Lodge Edinburg (St. Mary's Chapel) in Scotland. It has continuous records since 1509.

J B. WHITE, a prominent merchant of

bonds (\$35,000) for the new masonic temple to be erected in that city.

not generally known.

THE UNITED BROTHERHOOD OF FRIENDSHIP is an order among the colored men and claims

necticut will celebrate its centennial on July It is stated that one half of the parliament

of New South Wales are A. F. & A. M. THE STATE of Pennsylvania has 914 lodges of the I. O. O. F. and 81,000 members.

It is claimed that there are 200 loyal K. of

New York Sun: Among the many pretty girls who assist in making pins in the Howe pin factory in Shelton. Conn., is Miss Carrie F. Daines. One day several years ago, Miss Daines, in a spirit of mischief, joined with other girls in writing their names and addresses on the papers upon which the pins are stuck. Some six months after Miss Daines received a letter from a farmer in Kansas, He asked Miss Daines to correspond with him. Miss Daines flatly refused. She was satisfied with her lot. There were plenty of young men in her circle of society, and when her time came, if it ever did, she would marry some one she knew. But Mr. Pillsbury possesses the grit of most western men, and soon after her refusal to open a correspondence Mr Pillsbury appeared in Shelton. He brought with him credentials as to his respectability and standing, sought an introduction to Miss Daines, and after a

made her. Disheartened, Mr. Pillsbury went home. In a few months he met another Conneticut girl and finally married her. The marriage was a happy one, but after a few months the bride died, and Mr. Pillsbury was more determined than ever to get his first love, the pretty Shelton plu maker. He wrote to her again, telling her of his loss, and asked her to correspond with him. She again refused, but her refusal was

he became more than ever determined.

A few days ago the Rev. J. G. Ditmars, pastor of the Baptist church, united the persistent Pillsbury to his sweetheart, and they have gone to their far western home.

came "enlightened and overcame the last temptation," is said to be falling to pieces. It is believed to be the oldest tree in the world, being credited with 2,800 years.

repeated use a lessening of the tone of the digestive tracks, which causes congestion and dyspepsia. Hot drinks tend to lessen bronchial irritation, and may be used profitably in some cases of consumption.

And House Fur-

1 case extra large size Marseilles

\$1.95. \$1.95.

Jones-Look at Brown over there in the corner. Smith-Yes; buried in thought, Jones-Mighty shallow grave, ain't it! 75c: 75c. A fashion note states that buttons are not so prominent on ladies' costumes this season. The same thing is noticeable on bachelors'

Remnants of bleached and unbleached table linen, and odd lots of towels and napkins, at reduced

\$1.00. SATEENS. \$1.00.

10c. FRENCH PERCALES. 10c.

A Full Line of Linen

what is being said by the motions of the mouth, but the most educated of deaf people would find it hard to translate in this way the conversation of some folks whose lips keep opening like a stamping machine. Augusta, Ga., has taken the entire issue of Don't think, just because a girl persistently says no to you that she has made up her mind that she will not marry. The chances are that there is another fellow who comes to see her Thursday nights and who never heard

DANIEL O'CONNELL, the famous Irish orator, agitator and advocate, was made a Mason in 1799, in the city of Dublin—a fact

THE ARK OF NOAH, the Camp of the Israelites, the Ark of the Covenant, and the Tem-ple of Solomon were all oblong squares.

a membership of 150,000. THE PRINCE OF WALES was made a Mason at Stockholm in 1868. William III. was ini-tiated in 1690. THE GRAND LODGE, A. F. & A. M. of Con-

Tell the committee that we propose to fight this strike to the bitter end. No admittance; no compromise. Attendant—It's a commit-tee from the Pullman cer portors, sir. Pres-ident—O, show the gentlemen in at once. "Yes, I am a veteran of two wars, and I lived in the smoke of battle for years, but I still believe the pen is mightier than the sword." "That sounds odd, coming from a

A Persistent Wooer.

brief courtship asked her to marry him. Miss Daines liked the young man, but she was not in love with him, and so refused the good offer the Kansas farmer

worded in so sympathetic manner that

He accordingly came to Shelton again and, nothing daunted, began a most persistent wooing. At first he met with no enconragement, but his earnestness and devotion began to thaw out the heart of the Yankee lass, and after a time Mr. Pilisbury's pluck won her con-

The famous Bo tree, under which Buddha sat and meditated until he be-

The results of the "hot water" cure are said by a physician to be the stimulation of the stomach at first, but after

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